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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

The enclosed PTO Form-1449 lists patents and publications submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97. Copies of the patents or publications are enclosed as necessary.

Submitted herewith is a copy (with English translation as appropriate) of an Official Search Report of the <u>European Patent Office in counterpart foreign Application No. <u>PCT/US98/13137</u> filed <u>25 June 1998</u>.</u>

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  accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b), no certification or fee is required.
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